

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention is directed to presenting multimedia information materials from a database, preferably as a video broadcast. The invention includes storing a plurality of information segments in the database, providing an option to review the content of at least part of an information segment, selecting information segments from the database, and allowing a user to organize a subset of the selected information segments to affect a presentation of those information segments. The selected information segments may be loaded into a memory, including memory associated with a personal computer, a set-top box, or a personal video recorder. The selected information segments may also be represented using indicators, and the subset of selected information segments may be organized in a selected order where the indicators correspond to the subset. The subset of selected information segments may be presented in the same order as the corresponding indicators. The indicators may be stored in a buffer, such as a virtual "shopping cart." The presentation may include playing, pausing, rewinding, and fast forwarding the corresponding information segments. The information segments in the database can include video clips, and can contain visual, audio, and/or text information. The presentation may include skipping forward or backward at least one video clip. The presentation may be realized on a computer, a media player, or a television, the latter of which may interface with a set-top box and/or a personal video recorder.